

Assembly Concurrent Resolution

No. 200

Introduced by Assembly Member Lopez

August 10, 2016

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 200—Relative to Parent Advocacy Day.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL’S DIGEST

ACR 200, as introduced, Lopez. Parent Advocacy Day.

This measure would proclaim September 28, 2016, as Parent Advocacy Day.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, A critical dimension of effective schooling is
2 parental involvement; and

3 WHEREAS, Research has shown conclusively that parent
4 involvement in a child’s education at home improves pupil
5 achievement, and when a parent is involved at school, his or her
6 child goes farther in school; and

7 WHEREAS, Regardless of family income or background, pupils
8 with involved parents are more likely to have higher grades and
9 test scores, attend school regularly, have better social skills, show
10 improved behavior, and adapt well to school; and

11 WHEREAS, The most accurate predictors of pupil achievement
12 in school are not family income or social status but the extent to
13 which the family creates a home environment that encourages
14 learning, communicates high yet reasonable expectations for the
15 child’s achievement, and becomes involved in the child’s education
16 at school; and

1 WHEREAS, When a parent is involved in school, the
2 performance of all children at school, not just the parent's child,
3 tends to improve, and the more comprehensive and well planned
4 the partnership between school and home, the higher the pupil
5 achievement; and

6 WHEREAS, California's school funding system, the Local
7 Control Funding Formula, requires all school districts to involve
8 parents in planning, decision making, and developing and
9 reviewing local control and accountability plans; and

10 WHEREAS, The State Board of Education recognizes that a
11 child's education is a responsibility shared by school and family
12 during the entire period the child spends in school, and it is
13 important that school districts and schools, in collaboration with
14 parents, teachers, pupils, and school administrators, establish and
15 develop efforts that enhance parent involvement and reflect the
16 needs of pupils and families in the communities in which they
17 serve; and

18 WHEREAS, Parent involvement is fundamental to a healthy
19 system of public education and parent involvement roles require
20 a statewide effort that has the support and recognition of all; now,
21 therefore, be it

22 *Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate*
23 *thereof concurring,* That the Legislature hereby proclaims
24 September 28, 2016, as Parent Advocacy Day in recognition of
25 parental involvement in pupils' success; and be it further

26 *Resolved,* That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies
27 of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.